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### MEXICAN NATIONAL SENTENCED, FACES DEPORTATION IN FALSE DOCUMENT CASE

WICHITA, Kan. – United States Attorney Eric Melgren announced that **Alfredo Gandara-Bailon**, 31, a Mexican national who has been living in Wichita, has been sentenced and is facing deportation.

Gandara-Bailon has been in federal custody since he was arrested in April. He was sentenced today by Senior U.S. District Court Judge Wesley E. Brown to time served and remanded to the custody of the United State Marshals Service.

Gandara-Bailon worked for Buckley Roofing, Inc., a local firm that had a contract to do roofing work at Boeing's Wichita plant. He was one of four men arrested as the result of an investigation into how the men obtained employment and received non-employee identification badges permitting them to work on site at Boeing.

Gandara-Bailon pleaded guilty June 22 to one count of using unlawfully obtained documents for staying or being employed in the United States. In his plea Gandara-Bailon admitted that on April 22, 2004 he unlawfully possessed an authentic Puerto Rican birth certificate and social security card in the name of Hector Valcarcel-Perez. Gandara-Bailon had purchased the card for \$300 in Garden City, Kan.. In return for the plea, other charges against Gandara-Bailon were dropped.

Melgren commended the excellent work of the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement in this investigation and Assistant U.S. Attorney Brent Anderson in this prosecution.